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**INTERVIEW SUMMARY**

Dear Sir:

In further response to the final Office action of November 17, 2004, the Applicant submits the following summary of the telephone interview that took place January 10, 2005 between the undersigned representative of the Applicant and the Examiner.

Telephone Conference:

The Applicant thanks the Examiner for the many courtesies extended to the undersigned representative of the Applicant during the telephone interview that took place January 10, 2005.

Among the issues discussed during that interview were certain typographical errors in the amended claim 1 filed December 14, 2004, such as the missing articles "the" at line 7 of claim 1, and the missing preposition "of" at line 10, that resulted in differences between claim 1 as amended and the allowable claim suggested by the Examiner in the final Office action of November 17, 2004. The Examiner called to say that the application was in condition for allowance, and to request authorization to correct those typographical errors by Examiner's amendment, and that authorization was given.

Also discussed was the title of the invention, and authorization was also given to remove the phrase "and a product obtained thereby" to conform the title to the claims. Finally, authorization was given to remove the phrase "according to the preamble of claim 1" from the field of the invention in the interest of generality and also because such a phrase may not be customary in the U.S.

Allowable Subject Matter:

Accordingly, in view of the reasons given above, it is submitted that all claims 1 through

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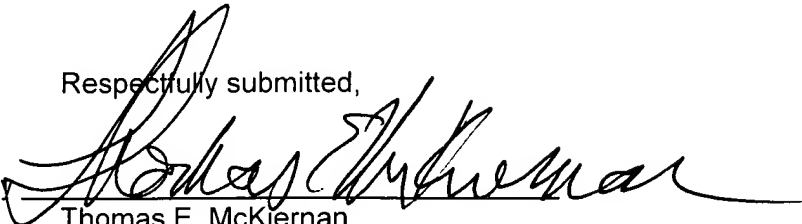
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8 are allowable over the cited references. Allowance of all claims 1 through 8 and of this entire application are therefore respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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